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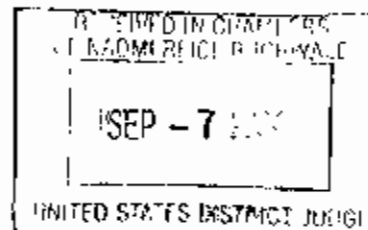
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September 7, 2007

**By Fax**

Honorable Naomi Reice Buchwald  
United States District Judge  
Southern District of New York  
United States Courthouse  
500 Pearl Street, Rm. 2270  
New York, New York 10007



Re: United States v. Manuel Soriano-Martinez et al.,  
S7 07 Cr. 308 (NRB)

Dear Judge Buchwald:

An arraignment and pre-trial conference were scheduled in the above-referenced case for September 5, 2007. After speaking with Your Honor's law clerk on September 4, 2007, the arraignment of all nine defendants on the S7 07 Cr. 308 (NRB) Indictment was referred to Magistrate Court, and the pre-trial conference before Your Honor was adjourned to September 21, 2007, at 2:30 p.m. The arraignment in Magistrate Court is scheduled for September 10, 2007, at 10:30 a.m.

The Government respectfully requests that time be excluded from today until September 21, 2007 under the Speedy Trial Act pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 3161(h)(8)(A) to permit the Government to gather and produce discovery and because the ends of justice outweigh the defendant's and the public's interest in a speedy trial. I have spoken to defense counsel for all nine

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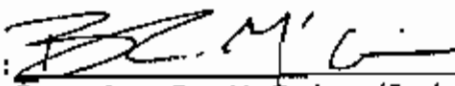
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defendants, and each has indicated that there is no objection to this request.

Respectfully submitted,

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